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U.S. Patent No. 5,750,338

Mark L. Collins et al.

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Reissue Application Filed: March 8, 2000

For: TARGET AND BACKGROUND
CAPTURE METHODS WITH
AMPLIFICATION FOR AFFINITY
ASSAYS

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as

follows:

IN THE PATENT:

Column 1, lines 4 through 18, delete the entire text and insert the following:

--This application is a Reissue of Ser. No. 238,080, filed May 3, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,750,338, which is a continuation of application Ser. No. 124,826, filed Sept. 21, 1993, now abandoned, which is a continuation of application Ser. No. 946,749, filed Sept. 17, 1992, now abandoned, which is a continuation of application Ser. No. 648,468, filed Jan. 31, 1991, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of application Ser. No. 644,967, filed Jan. 22, 1991,

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now abandoned, which is a continuation of application Ser. No. 136,920, filed Dec. 21, 1987,
now abandoned and hereby incorporated by reference, which application is a continuation-in-part
of application Ser. No. 922,155, filed Oct. 23, 1986, now abandoned and hereby incorporated by
reference.--

REMARKS

The Patent Owner has amended the specification to reflect the correct continuing
information. Also submitted is a Certificate of Correction that was issued in U.S. Patent No.
5,750,338, and reflects the correct continuing information.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment,
please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

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DATED: March 8, 2000
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It is certified that an error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

delete the Related U.S. Application Data [62] in its entirety and replace with:

Continuation of Ser. No. 124,826, Sept. 21, 1993, abandoned, which is a continuation of Ser. No. 946,749, Sept. 17, 1992, abandoned, which is a continuation of Ser. No. 648,468, Jan. 31, 1991, abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 644,967, Jan. 22, 1991, abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 136,920, Dec. 21, 1987, abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 922,155, Oct. 23, 1986, abandoned.--

Please delete col. 1, lines 5-19 , and replace with:

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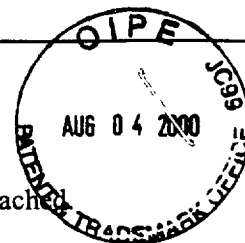
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1. Request for Corrected Filing Receipt.
2. Check in the amount of \$25.00 for fee.
3. Copy of Filing Receipt corrected in ink.
4. Second Preliminary Amendment w/Certificate of Correction attached



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